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- MEETING BONN

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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES THE REPORTING FROM EMBASSY ON JANUARY 23-4 POLITICAL DIRECTOR'S MEETING. PLEASE CONVEY OUR APPRECIATION ALSO TO KENNAN, DORR, AND OTHERS IN IRISH FOREIGN OFFICE FOR THEIR PROMPTNESS IN INFORMING US OF RESULTS.

2. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S SUGGESTION THAT WE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR IRISH IN CONNECTION WITH EC/ ARAB DIALOGUE AND US-EC COORDINATION IN UN, YOU MAY TELL IRISH FOLLOWING, FOR TRANSMITTAL TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NINE.

3. EC/ARAB DIALOGUE - WE CERTAINLY DO NOT OPPOSE THE DESIRE OF THE NINE AND THE COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE CLOSER ECONOMIC/CULTURAL RELATIONS WITH THE ARAB NATIONS THROUGH THE EC/ARAB DIALOGUE. WE REMAIN CONCERNED, HOWEVER, THAT THE DIALOGUE MIGHT GET INTO AREAS THAT WOULD COMPLICATE OUR EFFORTS TOWARDS A SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND OUR EFFORTS TO WORK OUT CONSUMER COOPERATION ON ENERGY MATTERS, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE IRISH WOULD KEEP US INFORMED IN SOME DETAIL OF DEVELOPMENTS. (SEE 1430 NO FORN) WE TRUST THAT THE EC WILL CONTINUE TO STAND BY ITS PLEDGE NOT TO MAKE OIL OR MIDDLE EAST POLITICS A PART OF DIALOGUE. SO LONG AS THE PLO ENDORSES THE USE OF TERRORISM IN ISRAEL, AND REMAINS DEDICATED TO THE ULTIMATE DISAPPEARANCE OF ISRAEL AS A SOVEREIGN STATE, IT IS DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO CONCEIVE AN ISRAELI/ PLO NEGOTIATION. INTERNATIONAL ENDORSEMENTS OF THE PLO IN THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, THEREFORE, ARE NOT HELPFUL BECAUSE THEY CREATE AN IMPRESSION OF SUPPORT FOR THE PLO WITHOUT ENHANCING THE POSSIBILITIES OF ACHIEVING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT IN THE AREA. THE "PRESENCE OF THE PLO IN A TECHNICAL DIALOGUE CANNOT HELP BUT INJECT A POLITICAL ELEMENT INTO THAT DIALOGUE."

4. CONCERNING US-EC COORDINATION IN UN MATTERS - WE AGREE WITH IRISH OBSERVATION THAT THERE SHOULD BE GOOD OPPORTUN-
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ITY FOR COORDINATION ON ISSUES ARISING IN UN CONTEXT. AT PREVIOUS WASHINGTON ROUND OF SEMI-ANNUAL US-EC CONSULTATIONS IN DECEMBER WE WELCOMED EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST IN SUCH COORDINATION BY EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS, AGREEING AT THAT TIME THAT COORDINATION SHOULD PROCEED ON PRAGMATIC, LOW KEY BASIS. THIS COULD INVOLVE WIDE RANGE OF AD HOC DISCUSSIONS WITH EC COMMISSION, WITH EC PRESIDENCY, WITH INDIVIDUAL EC COUNTRIES, IN APPROPRIATE OECD FORA, AND

OF COURSE, AT UN IN NEW YORK. VENUE WOULD DEPEND ON
ISSUE AND TIMING OF DISCUSSIONS. WE BELIEVE THAT RECENT
USE OF OECD AS FORUM FOR SPECIAL CONSULTATIONS ON UN
MATTERS, I.E., LAST WEEK'S MEETING IN PREPARATION FOR
UNCTAD COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES, HAS BEEN MOST USEFUL. WE
LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUATION OF THIS TREND WITH MARCH 5-6
MEETING ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL DD II PRIOR TO UNCTAD TRADE
DEVELOPMENT BOARD SPECIAL SESSION. LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD,
WE SEE SEPTEMBER GENERAL ASSEMBLY SPECIAL SESSION AS PRI-
ORITY ITEM FOR CONSULTATION IN COMING MONTHS. NEXT
ROUND US-EC CONSULTATIONS WILL MOST LIKELY TAKE PLACE JUST
PRIOR TO UN PREPARATORY MEETING FOR SPECIAL SESSION AND IT
HAS BEEN ALREADY AGREED THAT WE WILL INCLUDE UN COORDINA-
TION AS AGENDA TOPIC. WE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE ADDITIONAL
CONSULTATIONS IN AUGUST, PERHAPS INCLUDING OECD MEETING. KISSINGER

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